

Do Not Be Afraid

JUST HAVE FAITH

~ Mark 5: 36



*Good News from Good Shepherd
June 23, 2021 :: Ordinary Time*



GOOD SHEPHERD
Catholic Community

WELCOME



A DISCIPLE WELCOMES GOD'S PEOPLE



Social Seniors

July 2

12:00pm in the Courtyard & Gazebo if
inclement weather St. Aloysius Gonzaga

This is a ministry for senior aged parishioners. Join us to meet up with old friends and make some new ones! We also enjoy monthly lunch dates and occasional trips to the theater and other places of interest. For more information visit our [website](#).

AV Volunteers Needed

Did you know that A/V does more than just weekend Masses? A/V and the Tech Team also



are also part of Daily Mass, special events, weddings, and funerals! The best part: you do not have to be tech-savvy and training is provided and we have some pretty cool equipment that we use. Stop by the sound booth after any Mass or contact the church office.

You are invited to join us on a 8-day pilgrimage to Italy celebrating the
30th Anniversary of the Chartered Formation of
Good Shepherd Catholic Community
Fr. Michael Higgins, TOR, Pastor
January 31–February 7, 2022
 Rome 🇮🇹 Vatican City 🇻🇦 Assisi



Pilgrimage to Italy in 2022

July 30 deadline to enroll

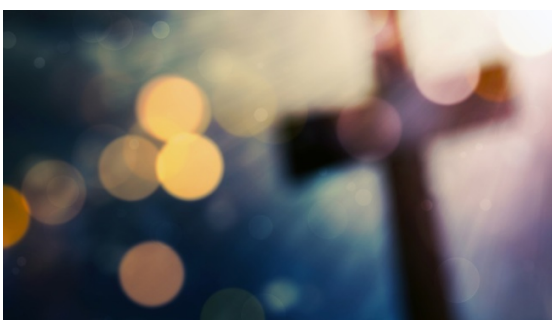
Join us on a 8-day pilgrimage to Italy Jan 31-Feb 7, 2022! The pilgrimage trip to Italy is currently a go, with the travel ban lifted!

Enrollment is still open and the deposit deadline has been extended to July 30th. Please see the attached [brochure for further details!](#) Brochures with complete information about this trip are available at the Welcome Desk in the Narthex and in the Parish Office.

ENCOUNTER



A DISCIPLE ENCOUNTERS JESUS CHRIST



Homebound Ministry

Is Someone Sick? Homebound Ministry is Back! The lay ministers of the Homebound Ministry are now ready to once again deliver the Holy Eucharist and say prayers with those having medical issues who cannot make it to weekend Mass. If you know of a family member, or friend, that is a parishioner of Good Shepherd and may need a visit from our Homebound Ministry, just have them access the request form under "Is Someone Sick?" on the home page of our parish website.

HOLY HOUR OF POWER

*Praise & Worship Music,
Incense, and Adoration*



Holy Hour of Power

July 2

7:00pm in the Church

Come spend time with Our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration by attending our monthly Holy Hour of Power. Join us for praise and worship music as well as incense as we gather together to open our hearts to Jesus Christ. A short reflection for meditation will be given.



Young Catholic Professionals Executive Speaker Series

June 24

5:30-8pm at Holy Family Catholic Church

6150 Pershing Ave, Fort Worth, TX 76107

Guest Speaker: Fr. Hoa Nguyen, Pastor of Holy Family

Come to Mass at 5:30pm, immediately followed by the ESS. Drinks and appetizers provided. Open to all young adults in their 20s and 30s, FREE to attend!



RCIA Candidate - Chelsea Galloway Statement of Faith

I was born on an Air Force military base in New Mexico to my mother, a Baptist. My father, also a Baptist, was a Marine located in California at the time. However, he was not a part of my life until I was five. At that time, he and my mother resumed their relationship and we moved to Texas. From that point, I attended St. John Baptist Church and was active in many ministries throughout childhood and until the end of high school. As is the tradition in the Baptist Church, we do not get baptized until we can understand its meaning and what Jesus Christ did for us during his Passion, Crucifixion, and Resurrection. Most of my peers had completed their Baptism by the time they were seven or eight. I wrestled with it until I was 16.

I remember how intense of a calling I felt to give my life to the Lord on that day of the Altar Call. I had resolved to not sin any more after being baptized. However, as time progressed, my sinful ways returned, and I was at a loss as to what to do about it. In the Baptist Church, I only remember if we sinned, we were told to ask God for forgiveness and to just stop doing it. It seemed like that was not enough; like I was missing something. Thus, one of the many things I found encouraging is that the Catholic Church does have a way to atone for sins, the Rite of Reconciliation. I also found out there are many tools that I can use when needing help with living the life I desire. Tools such as asking for Intercessory Prayer from the Saints, or even talking with my spiritual guide and Sponsor, Cindy Rodgers, who has been a blessing along this journey. Ultimately, my prayer life with the Lord has improved, in both frequency and in depth. I praise Jesus every Sunday at mass, and I understand that the host and the wine are truly the Body and Blood of Christ that gives everlasting life. I feel that as I have matured in age, I am finally able to mature in my faith. God has renewed my understanding through the Catholic Church and for that, I am forever grateful.

**Chelsea came into full communion with the Catholic church at the Easter Vigil mass on Saturday, April 3rd, 2021.*

GSSC Summer Events



GSCC Students Summer Sports Nights

Wednesdays, June 30 & August 2
6:00pm in the Parish Hall & Courtyard
 Come and go GSCC Students Summer Sports Night! Join us for some Ultimate Frisbee, Volleyball, and Dodgeball!



Middle Ministries Summer Sports Nights

Tuesdays, June 29 & August 3 6:00pm in the Parish Hall
 Think you can beat Nathan in dodgeball, volleyball, or nuke 'em? Bring a friend and spend time playing games!



Color Wars - High School

Wednesday July 14, 2021
6:30 PM in the Parish Hall & Outside Parking Lot

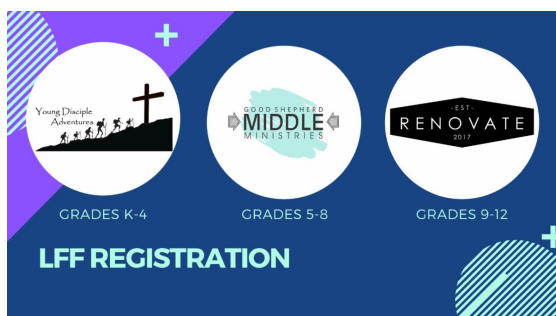
This is one for the books people!! YOU are invited to join GSCC Students for a crazy time with lots of colors, water, and shaving cream! We will start off with some pizza, and then move to the color wars! All friends are welcome! Come wearing a white t-shirt and get ready to get messy! Cost is \$15 per person. Register by visiting [here](#). Spots fill up quickly! Sign up today!



Color Wars (Middle School grades 5-8)

Wednesday, July 21, 2021
6:30pm in the Hall and the outside parking lot

YOU are invited to join Middle Ministries for a crazy time with lots of colors, water, and shaving cream! We will start off with some pizza, and then move to the color wars! All friends are welcome! Come wearing a white t-shirt and get ready to get messy! Cost is \$15 per person. Register by visiting [here](#). Spots fill up quickly! Sign up today!



Lifelong Faith Formation Registration

June 1 at 10:00AM- September 1 at 10:00AM

Online registration

LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION
 2021-2022 will open June 1 at 10:00am.

Details include:

Lifelong Faith Formation at GSCC - Young Disciples Grades K-4, Bridge Grades 5-6,

Crossroads Grades 7-8 & High School Formation Grades 9-12: \$80 per student not to exceed \$240 per family (does not include Confirmation or Home Study). Confirmation \$45 per student in addition to High School Formation. Home Study (textbook) - K thru 8 grade: \$40 per student. Co-Catechist, Small Group Leaders and Office Managers will receive discounted rate!! [Register](#) today!

Natural Family Planning

July 28, August 11 & 25

7:00pm



Want to postpone pregnancy? Having difficulty conceiving? Trying to stay in line with Catholic teaching? Natural Family Planning (NFP) is a natural and effective form of family planning. Through use of the Billings Ovulation Method, couples are able to track the woman's natural and unique signs of fertility and infertility each day in order to postpone or to help achieve pregnancy. It should not be confused with the "rhythm method" as it can be used by women in all stages of life and is scientifically proven to be 99.5% effective when properly used. It is 100% natural and in line with Church teaching. Cost is \$50/couple. Register [here](#).

SERVE



A DISCIPLE SERVES GOD'S PEOPLE

Knights of Columbus



Patriotic Rosary

July 3, 2021

7:00am in the Church Sanctuary

Join us in reciting the rosary in honor of our Nation's Birthday. All are welcome!



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Columbus®**



**Knights of Columbus -
Join Us!
Council 15789
Good Shepherd Catholic
Community**

Interested in becoming a Knight at our parish? Contact John Borley, Grand Knight: 817-565-8573, email - mr.john.borley@gmail.com OR Join online by [clicking here](#).

Burritos Are Back!

June 27

**After the 9:00am & 11:00am
Masses**

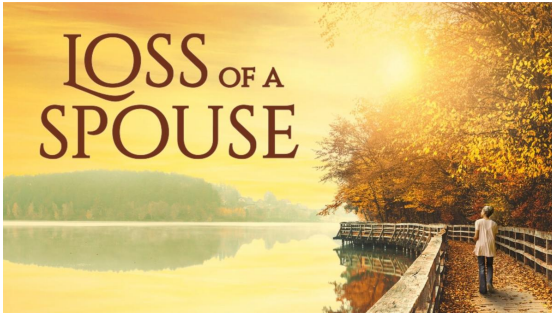
The Knights of Columbus will be selling Burritos on Sunday, June 27th after the 9:00 and 11:00 AM masses. Sales will be to go only, in bags of 2 or 6 burritos, and must be prepaid by credit card on [this link](#) or scan the QR code above with your cellphone.



Knights of Columbus Scholarship Winner

This year's winner of the Knights of Columbus Council 15789 Scholarship Award goes to Vicki Zimmerer. Vicki's essay addressed the K of C virtue of charity. Vicki is a graduate of Grapevine High School and will be attending the Texas Women's University pursuing a major in

Nursing. Vicki and her family are members of Good Shepherd Catholic Community. A check for \$1000.00 goes to Texas Women's University towards Vicki's education. Congratulations Vicki!



Loss of a Spouse

July 10

9:00am in Pope St. John XXIII

Your life has changed forever. The daily emotions and challenges can seem too hard to bear. Find help at a Loss of a Spouse seminar. You'll hear: Practical advice from others who've been there.

What to expect in your grief.

How to cope with life without your spouse.

Why it won't always hurt this much.

We hope you join us for this encouraging seminar.

Register [here](#).



Social Justice

What lives do you respect? How about a condemned prisoner? Recall that:

- God did not execute Cain after the murder of Abel.
- Jesus broke up an execution.
- The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches
- the inadmissibility of taking human life via the death penalty.
- The U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults teaches the broadness of the Fifth Commandment, "The Fifth Commandment calls us to foster the physical,

spiritual, emotional, and social well-being of self and others. For that reason, it forbids murder, abortion, euthanasia, and any life-threatening acts." This includes killing a prisoner via execution.

Act/Apply Now! [Request clemency](#) for John Hummel (to die June 30).

If you perform works of charity and mercy now, what more can you do?

- Join the Social Justice Ministry (Robert Torres at SocialJustice@gsccl.net) !)
 - Work with us to support our Bishops' advocacy for human life, dignity, and justice!
 - Work to resolve root causes of injustice, e.g., a living wage for all!
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GSCC Stephen Ministers Are Ready to Care

The role of Stephen Ministers is to give care. They listen, empathize, encourage, pray, and provide emotional and spiritual support on a weekly basis to hurting people for as long as the need persists. God works in and through them to bring hope and healing. If you are feeling lonely, experiencing a crisis, struggling through a difficult time, or simply stressed by everyday life, call the Parish Office and one of our Stephen Leaders will call you back. To learn more about Stephen Ministry visit our [website](#). Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for you!

SHARE



A DISCIPLE SHARES THE GOSPEL



Walking With Moms In Need

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops and our diocese have joined together in a nationwide effort called Walking with Moms in Need.

GSCC has launched the program and is developing a core team of volunteers to work on this effort.

The ultimate purpose is to foster greater care for the unborn and their mothers. The first phase will be to inventory all the available resources in our

community, share it with our GSCC parishioners and then identify any gaps that there may be. Our specific goal will be to assess, expand and better communicate resources to local pregnant moms and families in need. To learn more about the nationwide initiative, visit www.walkingwithmoms.com. All parishioners are invited to join us as we embark on this effort to serve mothers in need in our community. For more information and if you are interested in becoming involved in this parish wide effort, please contact Teri Gray at 817 291-4064 or terigray@verizon.net.



Good Shepherd Respect Life

The USCCB is asking everyone to support the **Hyde amendment**. This amendment has been in place for 45 years. It protects taxpayer dollars from going to fund abortions. Unfortunately, there is an effort in Congress to rescind this amendment. The USCCB is asking everyone to sign a petition and then contact their House Representative and 2 Senators.

Our GS Respect Life group is trying to get the word out, and we appreciate your help!!! To Sign the Petition and for more information – please go to NoTaxpayerAbortion.com



HOLY TRINITY
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Our Parish School: Holy Trinity Catholic School

Schedule a Tour Today!

[Click Here](#)

Special Announcements

Financial Assistance through ChristCare

The Covid-19 pandemic is affecting everyone. Many are dealing with financial strains caused by loss of job or underemployment. For those struggling financially at this time, Parish Outreach Ministries may be

able to provide some assistance through our ChristCare program. ChristCare is Good Shepherd Catholic Community's program that works in partnership with Catholic Charities Fort Worth to provide parishioners and individuals from our surrounding communities with certain types of emergency financial assistance. You can [click here](#) to learn more about the program and see if you might qualify for assistance.

Links of the Week

Steubenville Lonestar

June 25-27 at the Irving Convention Center

Sins?

Doubts?

Questions?

Regardless of what your faith life or life struggles look like, you have a place in the Church and a seat at a Life Teen Steubenville Conference. This weekend is going to be one of the best of the summer and it will get even better if you join us! Cost is \$325 per student. Don't miss out! [Register here](#). Spaces fill quickly and registration closes June 1 at 5:00pm!

Wedding Anniversaries

Those celebrating their 25, 30, 40, 50, 60, or 70th wedding anniversary may request a blessing by contacting the parish office. Other anniversaries will be a private blessing by arrangement with the clergy, Deacon or Priest, individually. Thank you!

Pre-Baptism Class

Parents must attend a Baptism Preparation class within 2 years prior to this baptism. Expectant parents are encouraged to attend the Baptism Class before the birth of their child. Baptism Classes are held once a month on Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. – 12 noon at the parish. When you arrive, check in at the Parish Office Reception desk for classroom assignment. For more details, [please click here](#).

Secular Franciscans

First Sunday of each month

2:00pm in Pope St. John XXIII & St. Kateri Tekakwitha

We invite you to consider becoming a member of the Franciscan Order. Secular Franciscans are members of the Catholic Church, men and women, married and single, living at home and following Christ more deeply through the spirituality of St. Francis of Assisi. To learn more, please come to a gathering of the Order of Franciscans Secular on the first Sunday of each month from 2:00pm to 4:00pm in the Pope St. John XXIII and St. Kateri Tekakwitha Rooms in the Shepherd Center at Good Shepherd Catholic Community on 1000 Tinker Road in Colleyville, Texas. We invite you to come! We welcome you!

Marriage Preparation Sponsor Couple

In a relaxed and informal setting, Good Shepherd Catholic couples who have been married for at least 3 years will meet with engaged couples four times (typically completed within 1 - 2 months). Using materials provided by the Church, the married couple helps the engaged couple identify and talk about potential issues important to their marriage, and assists the engaged couple in reaching a deeper understanding of how they can live in a sacramental marriage. A Sponsor Couple simply needs to be willing to share their experiences as they discuss important issues couples are likely to encounter on their engagement and marriage journey. Bring your marriage experience and we'll provide the necessary training! For other questions, please contact Tammy Sandoval tsandoval@gscc.net 817-442-4034

Montserrat Retreats

July 8, July 16, August 19

Montserrat Jesuit Retreat House Dallas

Are you spiritually hungry, tired, or restless? Jesus asks, "What do you want me to do for you?" Montserrat Jesuit Retreat House offers a holy space and a beautiful place by the lake to deepen your relationship with Jesus. Retreatants experience restorative peace and transformative renewal on these grounds made sacred by prayer. Come and tell Jesus what you want Him to do for you, register today for your retreat! Click [Here](#) for information on the July Women's Retreat. Click [Here](#) for information on the July Open Retreat. Click [Here](#) for information on the August Women's Recovery Retreat.

Senior Emergency Relief Fund

Do you know a senior-aged parishioner on a fixed-income who occasionally cannot afford to pay monthly expenses? SERF might be able to help. Through the Good Shepherd Senior Emergency Relief Fund our parish can provide assistance to help pay for those unexpected emergencies. Visit our website by [clicking here](#).

AmazonSmile

GSCC is now set up as a charitable organization with [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com). AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible purchases, at no additional cost to you! If you're interested in using this simple way to donate, please follow the instructions below to set up GSCC for your purchases. You

will need to log into smile.amazon.com/ for us to receive these funds.

Got Life Questions?

Bring your questions and join us for **Inquiry**, an 11-week "no obligation" dip into the basics of Spirituality. All ages are welcome! You can jump in anytime since the standalone topics repeat every 11 weeks. We gather Monday evenings at 7pm in the St. Louis of France room (enter through the West parking lot door). If you choose, you can then continue on an in-depth journey into Catholic beliefs through our Catholic education study group which also meets Monday evenings. [Click here for more details](#) or contact Father Ronald 817-421-1387 / rmohickey@gsc.net

Sponsor a Family through Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities partners with families for the long-term and walks alongside them on their journey to their bigger, brighter future. Can you sponsor a family ready to start this journey? A \$500 gift allows Catholic Charities to sponsor one family, but no amount is too small to make a difference. [Click here to sponsor a family today.](#)

Adoration Sign-ups

We have resumed Adoration hours. For more information please [visit our page](#). To sign up to spend an hour with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, please [click here](#).

Liturgical Schedule

[Good Shepherd's schedule of public and live-streamed Masses and Services](#)

Important Announcements & Resources during Coronavirus

[Stay current on the latest Covid-19 updates](#)

Catholic Resources for Daily Use

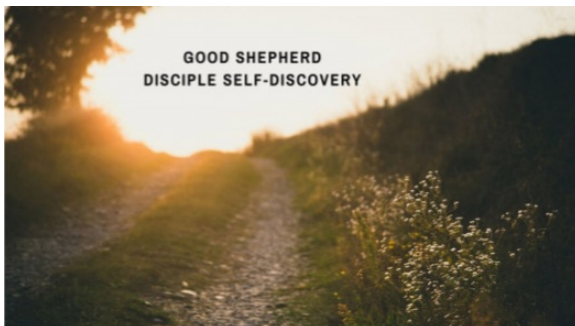
Do you want to incorporate more prayer into your life? Are you interested in learning more about your Catholic faith? There are many accessible ways to begin! [Here](#) you will find available products in a variety of formats.

Stewardship

All are encouraged to mail their financial contributions directly to the parish or use the online giving resource Faith Direct (<http://gsc.net/online-giving/>).

[Calendar](#) | [Bulletin](#) | [Mass Times](#) | [Online Sunday Reflections](#) | [Homilies](#) | [Prayer Requests](#) | [Formed](#)

New OR Longtime Parishioner? Start Here!



GSCC exists to call each of our members, wherever they are at, to a lifestyle of discipleship that involves welcoming God's people, encountering Jesus Christ, growing in Jesus Christ, serving God's people, and sharing the Gospel. As we seek to live out these five characteristics of a disciple, we may find that we are a new, growing, or missionary disciple. [Click here to take our Disciple Self-Discovery to see where YOU are on your journey as a disciple of Jesus.](#) Your results will offer practical suggestions for taking the next step forward as a disciple.

If you're new to Good Shepherd, welcome! You can also [visit our "I'm New" page](#) for an at-a-glance view of opportunities to grow in faith and connect with others.



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BE DISCIPLES. MAKE DISCIPLES.

IN WELCOMING ALL, WE FORM DISCIPLES WHO KNOW, LOVE, AND SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR.

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